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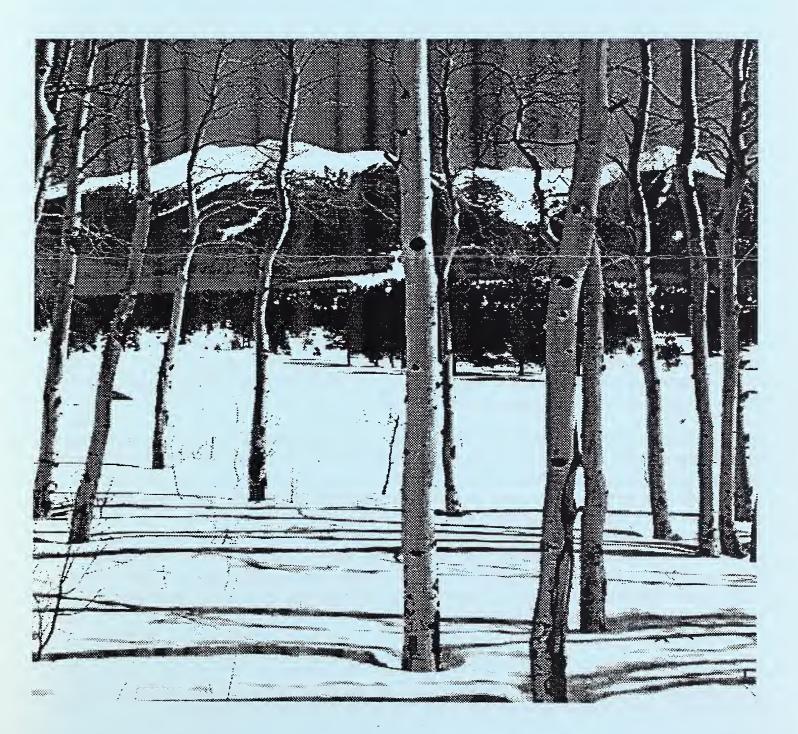


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# Washington Basin Outlook Report February 1, 1993



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How forecasts are made

Most of the annual streamflow in the Western United States originates as snowfall that has accumulated high in the mountains during winter and early spring. As the snowpack accumulates, hydrologists estimate the runoff that will occur when it metts. Predictions are based on careful measurements of snow water equivalent at selected index points. Precipitation, temperature, soil moisture and antecedent streamflow data are combined with snowpack data to prepare runoff forecasts. Streamflow forecasts are coordinated by Soil Conservation Service and National Weather Service hydrologists. This report presents a comprehensive picture of water supply conditions for areas dependent upon surface runoff. It includes selected streamflow forecasts, summarized snowpack and precipitation data, reservoir storage data, and narratives describing current conditions.

Snowpack data are obtained by using a combination of manual and automated SNOTEL measurement methods. Manual readings of snow depth and water equivalent are taken at locations called snow courses on a monthly or semi-monthly schedule during the winter. In addition, snow water equivalent, precipitation and temperature are monitored on a daily basis and transmitted via meteor burst telemetry to central data collection facilities. Both monthly and daily data are used to project snowmelt runoff.

Forecast uncertainty originates from two sources: (1) uncertainty of future hydrologic and climatic conditions, and (2) error in the forecasting procedure. To express the uncertainty in the most probable forecast, four additional forecasts are provided. The actual streamflow can be expected to exceed the most probable forecast 50% of the time. Similarly, the actual streamflow volume can be expected to exceed the 90% forecast volume 90% of the time. The same is true for the 70%, 30%, and 10% forecasts. Generally, the 90% and 70% forecasts reflect drier than normal hydrologic and climatic conditions; the 30% and 10% forecasts reflect wetter than normal conditions. As the forecast season progresses, a greater portion of the future hydrologic and climatic uncertainty will become known and the additional forecasts will move closer to the most probable forecast.

# Washington Water Supply Outlook

# February 1993

#### **General Outlook**

FEBRUARY 1, 1993: The snowpack varies from 70% in the Olympic Basin to 130% in the Walla Walla Basin. Washington SNOTEL sites averaged 105% of normal snowpack on February 1 (By February 5, the statewide average was 102%). January precipitation was 65% of normal state wide, and varied from 95% of average in the Walla Walla Basin to 48% in the Spokane Basin. Year-to-date precipitation varies from 95% in the Walla Walla to 73% in the North Puget Basin. January temperatures were below normal and varied from two degrees below in the White-Green Basin to eight degrees below in the Walla Walla Basin. With the below normal temperatures in January, streamflows varied from 90% of normal on the Similkameen River to 21% on the Walla Walla River. February 1 reservoir storage is generally poor throughout the state, with reservoirs in the Yakima Basin at 36% of average and 22% of capacity. Forecasts for 1993 runoff vary from 103% of average for the Walla Walla River to 82% for the Skagit River.

#### Snowpack

The February 1 SNOTEL reading showed the snowpack to be 105% of average. Snowpack continues to vary over the state, with the north being below normal and increases closer to the Oregon border. The Walla Walla River Basin had the highest with 130% of average, and the Cowlitz-Lewis Basin had 124% of normal. The North Puget River Basins had 88% of average. The Olympic Peninsula rivers were the lowest with 70% of average. Snowpack along the east slopes of the Cascade Mountains includes the Yakima with 95%, down from 116% last month, and the Wenatchee 89%, down from 104%. Snowpack in the Okanogan is at 98%, down from 114%, and the Spokane Basin at 108%, down from 118%. Maximum snow cover is at Paradise on Mount Rainier, with a water content of 41.7 inches. This site would normally have 38.5 inches of water content on February 1.

#### **Precipitation**

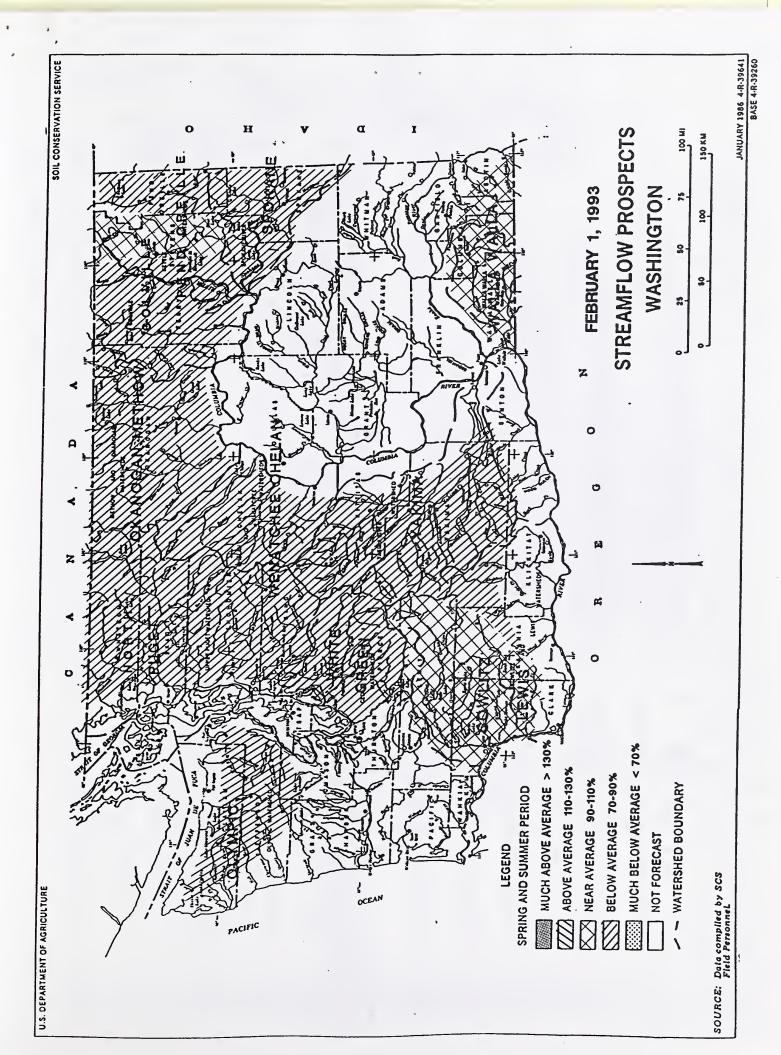
January precipitation reported from National Weather Service stations was 65% of average statewide. The year-to-date precipitation statewide is 82% and varied from 95% of normal in the Walla Walla Basin, to 73% in the North Puget Basin. January precipitation varied from 48% of average in the Spokane Basin, to 97% in the Walla Walla Basin. SNOTEL sites in Washington showed high elevation year-to-date precipitation values to be 84%. Maximum year-to-date precipitation was at the June Lake SNOTEL site near Mt. St. Helens, with 68.1 inches since October 1, 1992; normal for this site is 81.6 inches.

#### Reservoir

Reservoir storage in Washington is much below average for February 1. Cold weather has reduced the streamflow entering the reservoirs. Reservoir storage in the Yakima Basin was 232,800 acre feet, 36% of normal. Storage at other reservoirs include Roosevelt at 94% of average, and the Okanogan reservoirs at 92% of normal for February 1. The power generation reservoirs contain the following: Coeur d'Alene Lake, 48,000 acre feet, or 38% of normal; Chelan Lake, 234,600 acre feet, 52% of average and 35% of capacity, and Ross Lake at 72% of average, and 53% of capacity.

#### Streamflow

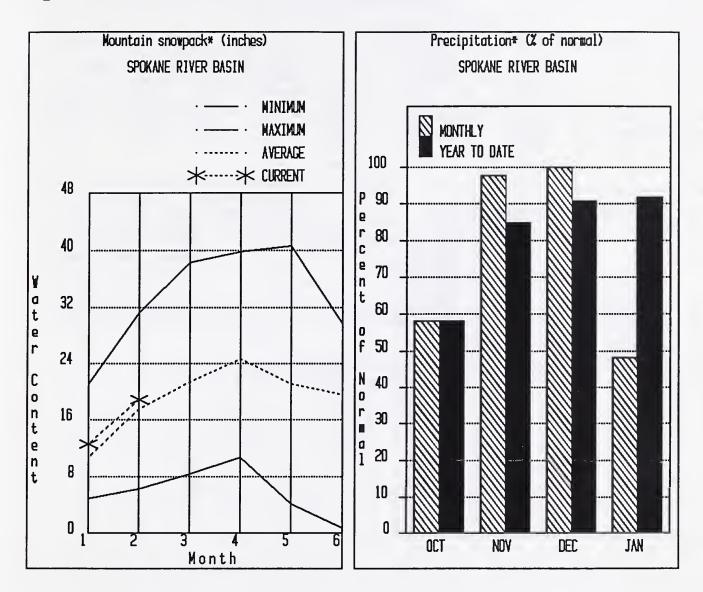
January streamflows were below average in Washington. The Similkameen River at 90% was the highest and the South Fork Walla Walla River with 21%, was the lowest in the state. Other streamflows were the following percentage of normal: the Cowlitz River, 41%; the Okanogan River, 78%; the Spokane River, 45%; the Columbia at the Canadian border, 68%,. and the Yakima River at Kiona, 46%. Forecasts for summer streamflow are for below-to-near average and vary from 103% of average for the Walla Walla River to 80% of normal for the Okanogan River. February forecasts for some west side streams include: Cedar River, 87%; Green River, 88%; and the Dungeness River, 86%. Some east side streams include the Yakima River at Parker, 81%; the Wenatchee River, 85%; and the Colville River, 95%.



#### BASIN SUMMARY OF SNOW COURSE DATA FEBRUARY 1993

| SNOW COURSE                            | ELEVATION       | DATE               | SNOW<br>DEPTH | WATER<br>CONTENT | LAST<br>YEAR | AVERAGE<br>1961-90 | SNOW COURSE                             | BLEVATION    | DATE               | SNOW<br>DEPTH | WATER<br>CONTENT | LAST<br>YEAR | AVERAGE<br>1961-90 |
|--|-----------------|--------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|--------------------|---|--------------|--------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| PEND ORBILLE RIVER                     |                 |                    |               |                  |              |                    | YAKIMA RIVER                            |              |                    |               |                  |              |                    |
| BENTON MEADOW                          | 2370            | 1/28/93            | 27            | 7.7              | 1.9          | 4.8                | AHTANUM R.S.                            | 3100         | 2/01/93            | 30            | 9.1              | 3.0          | 5.8                |
| BENTON SPRING                          | 4920            | 1/28/93            | 39            | 12.2             | 14.5         | 12.9               | BLEWETT PASS #2                         | 4270         | 1/30/93            | 33            | 10.9             | 8.2          | 11.6               |
| BUNCHGRASS MDWPILL                     | OW 5000         | 2/01/93            |               | 15.2             | 17.8         | 18.8               | BLEWETT PASS#2PILLOW                    | 4270         | 1/30/93            | 37            | 12.0             | 8.2          | 13.6               |
| HOODOO BASIN                           | 6050            | 1/28/93            | 82            | 26.1             | 29.4         | 33.4               | BUMPING LAKE                            | 3450         | 1/28/93            | 33            | 10.4             | 5.6          | 11.6               |
| HOODOO CREEK                           | 5900            | 2/01/93            |               | 22.4E            | 25.4         | 30.3               | BUMPING LAKE (NEW)                      | 3400         | 1/28/93            | 41            | 12.8             | 7.7          | 14.2               |
| NELSON CA                              | N. 3100         | 1/28/93            | 41            | 11.4             | 11.3         | 11.3               | BUMPING RIDGE PILLOW                    |              | 2/01/93            |               | 16.6             | 13.9         | 13.9               |
| KETTLE RIVER                           |                 |                    |               |                  |              |                    | COLOCKUM PASS                           | 5370         | 1/30/93            | 40            | 11.8             | 7.3          | 11.5               |
| BARNES CREEK CA                        |                 | 2/02/93            | 56            | 17.1             | 16.5         | 13.6               | CORRAL PASS PILLOW                      |              | 2/01/93            |               | 21.1             | 23.6         | 21.3               |
| BIG WHITE HTN CA                       |                 | 1/31/93            | 50<br>36      | 14.3<br>8.8      | 12.3<br>8.1  | 12.8<br>9.8        | FISH LAKE PILLOW                        | 3370<br>3370 | 1/26/93            | 64            | 19.9             | 21.0         | 21.1               |
| FARRON CA<br>GOAT CREEK                | N. 4000<br>3600 | 1/29/93            | 25            | 5.8              | 4.4          | 5.2                | GREEN LAKE                              | 6000         | 2/01/93<br>2/01/93 |               | 18.8             | 18.4         | 22.0               |
| MONASHEE PASS CA                       |                 | 2/02/93            | 41            | 11.3             | 10.4         | 9.4                | GREEN LAKE PILLOW                       |              | 2/01/93            | 62            | 22.8             | 15.5         | 22.6               |
| SUMMIT G.S.                            | 4600            | 1/27/93            | 30            | 7.4              | 7.2          | 5.6                | GROUSE CAMP PILLOW                      | 5380         | 1/30/93            | 43            | 15.7<br>13.0     | 11.3         | 14.1               |
| COLVILLE RIVER                         | 4000            | 1/2///3            | 30            | ,                | ,            | 5.0                | LAKE CLE ELUN                           | 2200         | 1/29/93            | 19            | 5.9              | 13.8         | 13.8               |
| OMAK LAKE, TWIN LAKES                  |                 |                    |               |                  |              |                    | MORSE LAKE PILLOW                       |              | 2/01/93            |               | 30.2             | 38.9         | 7.0<br>29.6        |
| MISSION (OMAK)                         | 1150            | 1/26/93            | 13            | 3.2              |              |                    | OLALLIE MDWS PILLOW                     | 3960         | 2/01/93            |               | 29.6             | 20.4         | 34.3               |
| HOUNT TOLMAN                           | 2000            | 1/28/93            | 22            | 6.2              | 2.3          | 3.1                | OLALLIE MEADOWS                         | 3630         | 2/01/93            | 40            | 17.7             | 16.2         | 29.3               |
| TWIN LAKES                             | 2700            | 1/28/93            | 26            | 7.0              | 4.6          | 6.7                | SASSE RIDGE PILLOW                      | 4200         | 2/01/93            |               | 22.5             | 21.8         | 21.6               |
| SPOKANE RIVER                          |                 |                    |               |                  |              |                    | STAMPEDE PASS PILLOW                    | 3860         | 2/01/93            |               | 28.4             | 25.9         | 28.8               |
| FOURTH OF JULY SUM                     | 3200            | 1/28/93            | 33            | 9.4              | 2.6          | 7.2                | TUNNEL AVENUE                           | 2450         | 1/27/93            | 43            | 13.6             | 5.8          | 15.4               |
|  | d) 6110         | 2/01/93            |               | 31.5E            | 35.6         | 37.4               | WHITE PASS ES PILLOW                    | 4500         | 2/01/93            |               | 19.0             | 11.8         | 15.5               |
| MOSQUITO RDG PILL                      |                 | 2/01/93            |               | 18.4             | 25.8         | 25.2               | AHTANUM CREEK                           |              |                    |               |                  |              |                    |
| SUNSET PILL                            |                 | 2/01/93            |               | 19.2             | 23.6         | 24.8               | AHTANUM R.S.                            | 3100         | 2/01/93            | 30            | 9.1              | 3.0          | 5.8                |
| NEWMAN LAKE                            |                 |                    |               |                  |              |                    | GREEN LAKE                              | 6000         | 2/01/93            | 62            | 22.8             | 15.5         | 22.6               |
| QUARTE PEAK PILL                       | OW 4700         | 2/01/93            |               | 16.7             | 10.6         | 14.0               | GREEN LAKE PILLOW                       | 6000         | 2/01/93            |               | 15.7             | 11.3         | 14.1               |
| RAGGED RIDGE                           | 3330            | 1/24/93            | 36            | 13.7             | 2.7          | 6.2                | MILL CREEK                              |              |                    |               |                  |              |                    |
| OKANOGAN RIVER                         |                 |                    |               |                  |              |                    | HIGH RIDGE PILLOW                       | 4980         | 2/01/93            |               | 23.6             | 15.6         | 16.0               |
| ABERDEEN LAKE CA                       | N. 4300         | 1/29/93            | 28            | 6.7              | 3.3          | 5.0                | TOUCHET #2 PILLOW                       | 5530         | 2/01/93            |               | 24.4             | 19.9         | 20.8               |
| BLACKWALL PEAK CA                      | N. 6370         | 1/28/93            | 64            | 17.4             | 21.6         | 23.8               | LEWIS - COWLITZ RIVERS                  |              |                    |               |                  |              |                    |
| ENDERBY CA                             | N. 6200         | 1/28/93            | 79            | 18.5             | 21.6         | 24.8               | JUNE LAKE PILLOW                        | 3200         | 2/01/93            |               | 39.6             | 4.2          | 28.1               |
| GREYBACK RES CA                        |                 | 1/27/93            | 32            | 8.0              | 4.9          | 6.1                | TONE DINE DITTOM                        | 3800         | 2/01/93            |               | 25.0             | 13.5         | 20.8               |
| HAMILTON HILL CA                       | N. 4890         | 1/30/93            | 37            | 9.9              | 9.7          | 10.8               | PARADISE PARK PILLOW                    | 5500         | 2/01/93            |               | 41.7             | 47.5         | 38.5               |
| HARTS PASS PILL                        |                 | 2/01/93            |               | 23.0             | 34.1         | 27.7               | PIGTAIL PRAK PILLOW                     | 5900         | 2/01/93            |               | 25.8             | 33.3         | 30.4               |
| ISINTOK LAKE CA                        |                 | 1/28/93            | 29            | 5.6              | 4.3          | 5.6                | POTATO HILL PILLOW                      | 4500         | 2/01/93            |               | 20.4             | 14.5         | 16.4               |
| LOST HORSE MTN CA                      |                 | 2/01/93            | 28            | 6.3              | 5.1          | 6.5                | SHEEP CANYON PILLOW                     | 4050         | 2/01/93            |               | 34.1             | 13.5         | 25.2               |
| HCCULLOCH CAI                          |                 | 2/01/93            | 29            | 7.0              | 4.1          | 5.0                | SPENCER NDW PILLOW                      | 3400         | 2/01/93            |               | 29.1             | 10.4         | 20.0               |
| MISSEZULA MTN CAI                      |                 | 1/31/93            | 25            | 5.8              |              | 6.9                | SPIRIT LAKE PILLOW                      | 3100         | 2/01/93            |               | 18.2             | .0           | 6.4                |
| MISSION CREEK CAI                      |                 | 1/29/93            | 52            | 14.0             | 12.7         | 13.3               | SURPRISE LKS PILLOW                     | 4250         | 2/01/93            |               | 35.0             | 23.7         | 30.4               |
| HONASHEE PASS CAI                      |                 | 2/02/93            | 41            | 11.3             | 10.4         | 9.4                | WHITE PASS ES PILLOW                    | 4500         | 2/01/93            |               | 19.0             | 11.8         | 15.5               |
| HT. KOBAU CAI                          |                 | 1/30/93            | 38            | 10.1             | 5.7          | 8.7                | WHITE RIVER                             |              | 1 / 20 / 22        |               | •••              |              |                    |
| MUTTON CREEK #1                        | 5700            | 1/27/93            | 39            | 8.3              | 6.8          | 9.2                | CORRAL PASS                             | 6000         | 1/30/93            | 69            | 23.9             | 2.4          | 21.7<br>21.3       |
| OYAMA LAKE CAI<br>POSTILL LAKE CAI     |                 | 1/28/93<br>1/29/93 | 30<br>34      | 6.7<br>7.8       | 3.6<br>5.1   | 5.0<br>5.8         | CORRAL PASS PILLOW<br>HORSE LAKE PILLOW | 6000<br>5400 | 2/01/93<br>2/01/93 |               | 21.1<br>30.2     | 23.6<br>38.9 | 29.6               |
| RUSTY CREEK                            | 4000            | 1/27/93            | 24            | 5.5              | 3.5          | 5.0                | GREEN RIVER                             | 3400         | 2/01/93            |               | 30.2             | 30.7         | 27.0               |
| SALMON MDWS PILLO                      |                 | 2/01/93            |               | 6.9              | 6.4          | 5.9                | COUGAR MTN. PILLOW                      | 3200         | 2/01/93            |               | 17.3             | 3.2          | 15.0               |
| SILVER STAR HTN CAN                    |                 | 1/30/93            | 72            | 22.9             | 16.0         | 19.2               | GRASS HOUNTAIN #2                       | 2900         | 1/30/93            | 22            | 8.3              | .0           | 10.3               |
| SUMMERLAND RES CAL                     |                 | 1/27/93            | 33            | 7.0              | 5.7          | 7.0                | LESTER CREEK                            | 3100         | 1/30/93            | 54            | 16.4             | 7.0          | 14.8               |
| SUNDAY SUMMIT CAL                      |                 | 1/30/93            | 17            | 3.7              | 2.8          | 4.8                | LYNN LAKE                               | 4000         | 1/30/93            | 46            | 15.8             | 6.5          | 14.8               |
| TROUT CREEK CAL                        |                 | 2/01/93            | 26            | 6.0              | 4.1          | 5.6                | SAWNILL RIDGE                           | 4700         | 1/30/93            | 57            | 20.5             | 14.7         | 23.9               |
| WHITE ROCKS MIN CAN                    |                 | 1/29/93            | 54            | 15.5             | 13.9         | 15.7               | STAMPEDE PASS PILLOW                    | 3860         | 2/01/93            |               | 28.4             | 25.9         | 28.8               |
| METHOW RIVER                           |                 |                    |               |                  | •••          |                    | TWIN CAMP                               | 4100         | 1/30/93            | 60            | 21.3             | 14.3         | 16.9               |
| HARTS PASS PILLO                       | OW 6500         | 2/01/93            |               | 23.0             | 34.1         | 27.7               | CEDAR RIVER                             |              |                    |               |                  |              |                    |
| MUTTON CREEK #1                        | 5700            | 1/27/93            | 39            | 8.3              | 6.8          | 9.2                | SNOQUALMIE RIVER                        |              |                    |               |                  |              |                    |
| RUSTY CREEK                            | 4000            | 1/27/93            | 24            | 5.5              | 3.5          | 5.0                | KROHONA MINE                            | 2400         | 2/01/93            | 57            | 25.6             | 1.7          | 18.1               |
| SALMON MDWS PILLO                      | 0₩ 4500         | 2/01/93            |               | 6.9              | 6.4          | 5.9                | OLALLIE MDWS PILLOW                     | 3960         | 2/01/93            |               | 29.6             | 20.4         | 34.3               |
| CHELAN LAKE BASIN                      |                 |                    |               |                  |              |                    | OLALLIE MEADOWS                         | 3630         | 2/01/93            | 40            | 17.7             | 16.2         | 29.3               |
| LYMAN LAKE PILLO                       | ₩ 5900          | 2/01/93            |               | 28.0             | 48.2         | 39.0               | OLNEY PASS                              | 3250         | 2/01/93            | 46            | 21.9             | .0           | 12.0               |
| MINERS RIDGE PILLO                     | 6200            | 2/01/93            |               | 27.4             | 12.4         |                    | SKYKOMISH RIVER                         |              |                    |               |                  |              |                    |
| PARK CK RIDGE PILLO                    | OW 4600         | 2/01/93            |               | 24.7             | 41.3         | 29.6               | STAMPEDE PASS PILLOW                    | 3860         | 2/01/93            |               | 28.4             | 25.9         | 28.8               |
| RAINY PASS PILLO                       | OW 4780         | 2/01/93            |               | 20.9             | 34.8         | 24.5               | STEVENS PASS PILLOW                     | 4070         | 2/01/93            |               | 28.2             | 28.4         | 27.3               |
| ENTIAT RIVER                           |                 |                    |               |                  |              |                    | STEVENS PASS SAND SD                    | 3700         | 1/28/93            | 62            | 20.0             | 20.5         | 23.9               |
| BRIEF                                  | 1600            | 1/25/93            | 29            | 6.0              | 2.0          | 6.0                | SKAGIT RIVER                            |              |                    |               |                  |              |                    |
| POPE RIDGE PILLO                       | OW 3540         | 2/01/93            |               | 10.9             | 14.4         | 13.9               | HARTS PASS PILLOW                       | 6500         | 2/01/93            |               | 23.0             | 34.1         | 27.7               |
| WENATCHEE RIVER                        |                 |                    |               |                  |              |                    | KLESILKWA CAN.                          | 3710         | 2/02/93            | 26            | 7.9              | 2.9          | 9.3                |
| BERNE-MILL CREEK (                     | -               | 1/28/93            | 57            | 17.4             | 17.2         | 19.9               | LYMAN LAKE PILLOW                       | 5900         | 2/01/93            |               | 28.0             | 48.2         | 39.0               |
| BLEWETT PASS #2                        | 4270            | 1/30/93            | 33            | 10.9             | 8.2          | 11.6               | RAINY PASS PILLOW                       | 4780         | 2/01/93            |               | 20.9             | 34.8         | 24.5               |
| BLEWETT PASS#2PILLO                    |                 | 1/30/93            | 37            | 12.0             | 8.2          | 13.6               | BAKER RIVER                             |              |                    |               |                  |              | 43.3               |
| CHIWAUKUM G.S.                         | 2500            | 1/28/93            | 26            | 7.5              | 4.3          | 8.7                | DOCK BUTTE AM                           | 3800         | 2/01/93            | 98            | 39.9             | 21.6         | 41.1<br>45.6       |
| FISH LAKE PILLO                        |                 | 2/01/93            |               | 18.8             | 18.4         | 22.0               | EASY PASS AM                            | 5200         | 2/01/93            | 76            | 28.6             | 41.4<br>51.8 | 58.8               |
| LYMAN LAKE PILLO                       |                 | 2/01/93            |               | 28.0             | 48.2         | 39.0               | JASPER PASS AM                          | 5400         | 2/01/93            | 122           | 43.3             |              | 48.2               |
| MERRITT                                | 2140            | 1/28/93            | 34            | 9.8              | 4.6          | 12.4               | MARTEN LAKE AM                          | 3600         | 2/01/93            | 104           | 40.8<br>33.2     | 25.2<br>31.3 | 41.3               |
| MISSION RIDGE                          | 5000            | 1/28/93            | 39            | 12.0             | 8.7          | 11.5               | MT. BLUM AM                             | 5800         | 2/01/93            | 82<br>84      | 33.2             | 4.7          | 20.0               |
| STEVENS PASS PILLO                     |                 | 2/01/93            |               | 28.2             | 28.4         | 27.3               | ROCKY CREEK AM                          | 2100         | 2/01/93            | 74            | 29.2             | 18.0         | 35.1               |
| STEVENS PASS SAND S<br>TROUGH #2 PILLO |                 | 1/28/93            | 62            | 20.0             | 20.5         | 23.9               | SCHREIBERS MDW AM                       | 3400<br>2200 | 2/01/93<br>2/01/93 | 24            | 9.2              |              | 6.2                |
| UPPER WHEELER                          | JW 5310<br>4400 | 2/01/93            |               | 8.0              | 5.4          | 6.4                | SF THUNDER CK AM                        | 4500         | 2/01/93            | 83            | 33.0             | 21.0         | 38.7               |
| UPPER WHEELER PILLO                    |                 | 1/26/93<br>2/01/93 | 34            | 10.0<br>10.0     | 5.0          | 8.0                | WATSON LAKES AM                         | 4500         | 2/01/93            | 33            | 33.0             |              |                    |
| SQUILCHUCK CREEK                       | 4400            | 2/01/93            |               | 10.0             | 7.4          | 9.3                | ELWHA RIVER<br>HURRICANE                | 4500         | 1/31/93            | 32            | 9.0              | 5.0          | 13.7               |
| STEMILT CREEK                          |                 |                    |               |                  |              |                    | HORSE CREEK                             | 4500         | -, 51, 55          |               |                  |              |                    |
| STEMILT SLIDE                          | 5000            | 1/27/93            | 36            | 11.0             | 8.0          | 10.3               | COX VALLEY                              | 4500         | 1/29/93            | 57            | 18.6             | 19.3         | 24.9               |
| UPPER WHEELER                          | 4400            | 1/2//93            | 34            | 10.0             | 5.0          | 8.0                | DUNGENESS RIVER                         | .500         | 2,27,75            |               |                  |              |                    |
| UPPER WHEELER PILLO                    |                 | 2/01/93            |               | 10.0             | 7.4          | 9.3                | DEER PARK                               | 5200         | 1/28/93            | 31            | 9.1              | 9.1          | 13.5               |
| COLOCKUM CREEK                         |                 |                    |               | 20.0             |              | 7.5                | QUILCENE RIVER                          |              | _,,                | _             |                  |              |                    |
| TROUGH #2 PILLO                        | OW 5310         | 2/01/93            |               | 8.0              | 5.4          | 6.4                | MOUNT CRAG PILLOW                       | 4050         | 2/01/93            |               | 18.4             | 11.3         |                    |
| (d) Denotes discontinue                |                 |                    |               |                  |              |                    | WYNOOCHEE RIVER                         |              |                    |               |                  |              |                    |
| ,                                      |                 |                    |               |                  |              |                    | WINOCHEE RIVER                          |              |                    |               |                  |              |                    |

## **Spokane River Basin**



\*Based on selected stations

Precipitation for January was 48% of average. The February 1 forecasts for summer runoff within the Spokane River Basin are 82%, down from 98% of normal. The forecast is based on a snowpack that is 108% of average and a water year-to-date precipitation value of 92% of normal. Temperatures in the basin were 4 degrees below normal during January. Streamflow on the Spokane River was 45% of average for January. February 1 storage in Coeur d'Alene Lake was 48,000 acre feet, 38% of normal, and 20% of capacity.

SPOKANE RIVER BASIN

#### Streamflow Forecasts - February 1, 1993

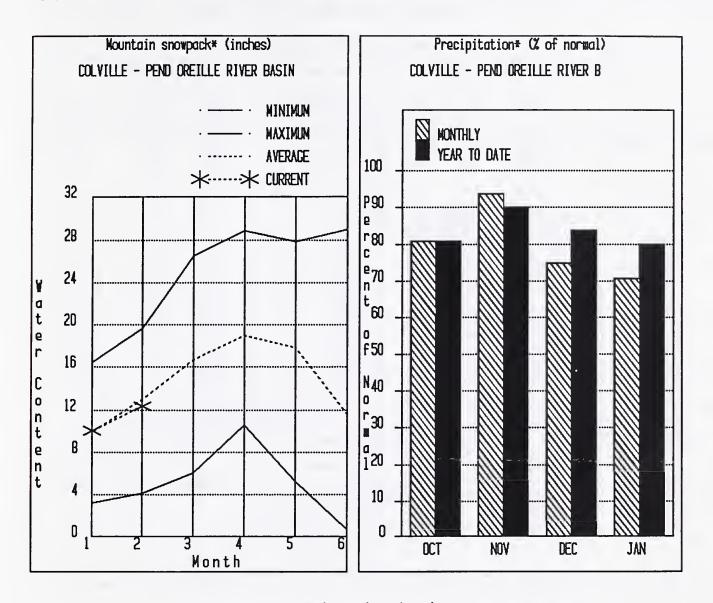
| Forecast Point                                 | Forecast<br>Period        | İ          | 70%<br>(1000AF) | - Char           | nce Of E<br>& (Most | Exceeding * = Probable)   (% AVG.) | 30%                           | 10%<br>(1000AF) | 30-Yr Avg.   |
|--|---------------------------|------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| SPOKANE nr Post Falls (1,2)                    | APR-SEP<br>APR-JUL        | 345<br>330 | 1640<br>1580    | <b></b><br> <br> | 2230<br>2150        | 81  <br>81                         | 2820<br>2720                  | 4120<br>3970    | 2720<br>2627 |
| SPOKANE at Long Lake (2)                       | APR-JUL                   |            |                 |                  | 2400                | 81                                 |                               |                 | 2937         |
| SPOKANE RIVER BASIN<br>Reservoir Storage (1000 | AF) - End                 | of January | 7               |                  |                     |                                    | RIVER BASIN<br>Nowpack Analys | is - Febr       | uary 1, 1993 |
| Reservoir                                      | Usable  <br>Capacity <br> |            |                 | **  <br> <br> vg | Water               | rshed                              | Numbe<br>of<br>Data Si        |                 | Year as % of |
|  |                           |            |                 |                  | Spoka               | ne River                           | 6                             | 123             | 108          |

<sup>\* 90%, 70%, 30%,</sup> and 10% chances of exceeding are the probabilities that the actual flow will exceed the volumes in the table.

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#### Colville - Pend Oreille River Basins



\*Based on selected stations

January streamflow was 57% of normal on the Pend Oreille River, 68% on the Columbia at the International Boundary, and 86% on the Kettle River. The forecast for the Kettle River streamflow is 93% of normal, the Pend Oreille, 80%, and the Colville River, 95% of normal for the summer runoff period. February 1 snow cover is 85% of normal, down from 98% of average on the Pend Oreille, and 115% on the Kettle River. Snowpack at Bunchgrass Meadow SNOTEL site was 15.2 inches of water, the average February 1 reading is 18.8. Precipitation during January was 71% of average, bringing the water year-to-date to 80% of normal. Temperatures were eight degrees below normal for January.

#### COLVILLE - PEND OREILLE RIVER BASINS

#### Streamflow Forecasts - February 1, 1993

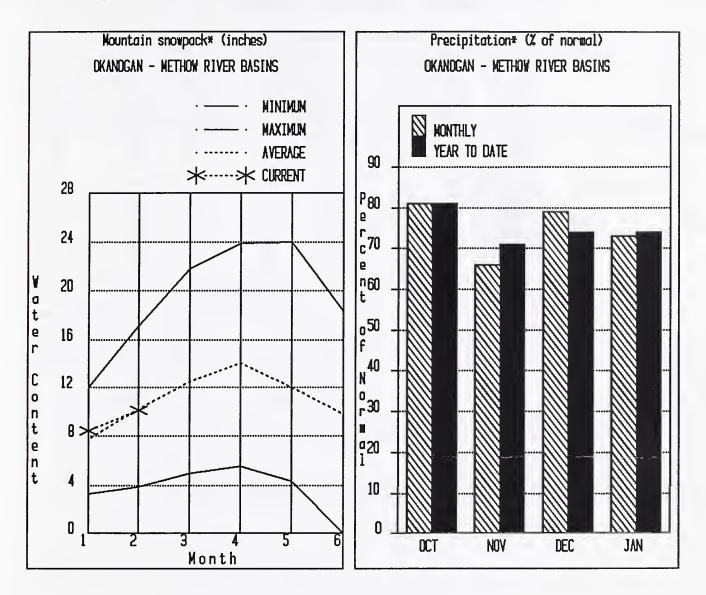
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|-----------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------|---------|--------------------|-----------------|------------|------------|----------|
| Forecast Point                    | Forecast<br>Period | 90%<br>  (1000AF) | 70%<br>) (1000AF) | 501         | Most    | Probable) (% AVG.) | 30%<br>(1000AF) | 10%        | •          | 00AF)    |
| PEND OREILLE bl Box Canyon (1,2)  | APR-SEP            | 7910              | 10500             | !           | 11700   | 80                 | 12900           | 15500      | 14         | <br>4590 |
| - '                               | APR-JUL            | 7220              | 9610              | 1 :         | 10700   | 79                 | 11800           | 14200      | 13         | 3380     |
|                                   | APR-JUN            | 6270              | 8330              |             | 9260    | 80                 | 10200           | 12300      | 1:         | 1570     |
| CHAMOKANE CK nr Long Lake         | MAY-AUG            | 1.5               | 5.7               |             | 8.5     | 90                 | 11.3            | 15.5       |            | 9.4      |
| COLVILLE at Kettle Falls          | APR-SEP            | 68                | 102               | 1           | 125     | 95                 | 148             | 182        |            | 131      |
|                                   | APR-JUL            | 61                | 93                | İ           | 114     | 95                 | 135             | 167        |            | 120      |
|                                   | APR-JUN            | 58                | 86                | 1           | 105     | 94                 | 124             | 153        |            | 111      |
| KETTLE nr Laurier                 | APR-SEP            | 1020              | 1420              |             | 1720    | 92                 | 2020            | 2430       | 1          | 1853     |
|                                   | APR-JUL            | 940               | 1360              | j           | 1640    | 93                 | 1920            | 2340       | 1          | 1760     |
|                                   | APR-JUN            | 845               | 1220              | į           | 1470    | 92                 | 1720            | 2100       | 1          | 1585     |
| COLUMBIA at Birchbank (1,2)       | APR-SEP            | 29400             | 34500             | 3           | 36800   | 83                 | 39100           | 44000      | 43         | 3810     |
|                                   | APR-JUL            | 23700             | 27700             | 1 :         | 29500   | 83                 | 31300           | 35300      | 3.5        | 5140     |
|                                   | APR-JUN            | 17400             | 20300             | 2           | 21600   | 84                 | 22900           | 25800      | 25         | 670      |
| COLUMBIA at Grand Coulee Dm (1,2) | APR-SEP            | 42000             | 50600             | 5           | 54500   | 84                 | 58400           | 67000      | 64         | 1780     |
|                                   | APR-JUL            | 35400             | 42600             | 1 4         | 15900   | 84                 | 49200           | 56400      | 54         | 1500     |
|                                   | APR-JUN            | 27800             | 33400             | ;           | 35900   | 84                 | 38400           | 44000      | 42         | 2730     |
| COLVILLE - PEND ORE               | TITE DIVED         |                   |                   | . <u></u> . |         | COLVILLE           | - PEND OREILI   | P DIVED B  |            |          |
| Reservoir Storage (100            |                    |                   | T <b>y</b>        | i           |         | Watershed Sr       | owpack Analys   | sis - Febr | uary 1, 19 |          |
|                                   | Usable             | *** Usab          | ole Storage *     | **          |         |                    | Numbe           |            | s Year as  |          |
| Reservoir                         | Capacity           | This              | Last              | i           | Water   | rshed              | of              |            |            |          |
|                                   | i                  | Year              | Year A            | vg          |         |                    | Data Si         | tes Las    | t Yr Ave   | rage     |
| ROOSEVELT                         | 5232.0             | 3511.7            | 5006.9 374        | 9.0         | Colv    | ille River         | 0               | 0          | (          | )        |
| BANKS                             | 715.0              | 688.2             | 680.2 59          | 9.0         | Pend    | Oreille Rive       | er 6            | 95         | 85         | ;        |
|                                   |                    |                   |                   | l           | Kett!   | le River           | 6               | 110        | 115        | 5        |

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## Okanogan - Methow River Basins



\*Based on selected stations

Summer runoff forecast for the Okanogan River is 80% of normal; the Similkameen River, 82%, and the Methow River, 80% of normal. February 1 snow cover on the Okanogan was 98% of normal, down from 114% of average, 91% on the Methow, and 82% on the Similkameen River. January precipitation in the Okanogan-Methow was 73% of normal, with water year-to-date at 74% of average. January streamflow on the Methow River was 75% of normal, 78% on the Okanogan River, and 90% on the Similkameen. Snow water content at the Harts Pass SNOTEL, elevation 6500 feet, was 23.0 inches; normal for this site is 27.7 inches. Temperatures were eight degrees below normal for the month. Storage in the Conconully Reservoir is 12,700 acre feet, which is 54% of capacity and 92% of February 1 average.

#### OKANOGAN - METHOW RIVER BASINS

#### Streamflow Forecasts - February 1, 1993

|                                |              | <<         | Drier       | Future Co     | onditions     | Wetter       | >>          |              |
|--------------------------------|--------------|------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| Forecast Point                 | Forecast     |            |             | - Chance Of E | Exceeding *   |              |             |              |
|                                | Period       | 90%        | 70%         | 50% (Most     | Probable)     | 30%          | 10%         | 30-Yr Avg.   |
|                                |              | (1000AF)   | (1000AF)    | (1000AF)      | (% AVG.)      | (1000AF)     | (1000AF)    | (1000AF)     |
| SIMILKAMEEN nr Nighthawk (1)   | APR-SEP      | 845        | 1050        | 1150          | 82            | 1250         | 1460        | 1399         |
|                                | APR-JUL      | 785        | 980         | 1070          | 82            | 1160         | 1360        | 1304         |
|                                | APR-JUN      | 670        | 835         | 910           | 81            | 985          | 1150        | 1113         |
| OKANOGAN RIVER nr Tonasket (1) | APR-SEP      | 635        | 1090        | <br>  1300    | 80 I          | 1510         | 1970        | 1624         |
| (-,                            | APR-JUL      | 580        | 985         | 1170          | 79 j          | 1350         | 1760        | 1467         |
|                                | APR-JUN      | 545        | 850         | 990           | 80            | 1130         | 1440        | 1234         |
| METHOW RIVER nr Pateros (1)    | APR-SEP      | 340        | 640         | <br>  750     | 79            | 860          | 1160        | 942          |
|                                | APR-JUL      | 375        | 600         | 705           | 80            | 810          | 1030        | 873          |
|                                | APR-JUN      | 315        | 520         | 615           | 82            | 710          | 915         | 746          |
|                                |              |            |             | !<br>         |               |              |             |              |
| OKANOGAN - METHOW              | RIVER BASINS |            |             | 1             | OKANOGAN -    | METHOW RIVE  | R BASINS    |              |
| Reservoir Storage (10          | 00 AF) - End | of January |             |               | Watershed Sno | wpack Analys | is - Februa | ry 1, 1993   |
|                                | Usable       | *** Usabl  | e Storage * | **            |               | Numbe        | r This      | Year as & of |
| Reservoir                      | Capacity     | This       | Last        | Water         | shed          | of           |             |              |

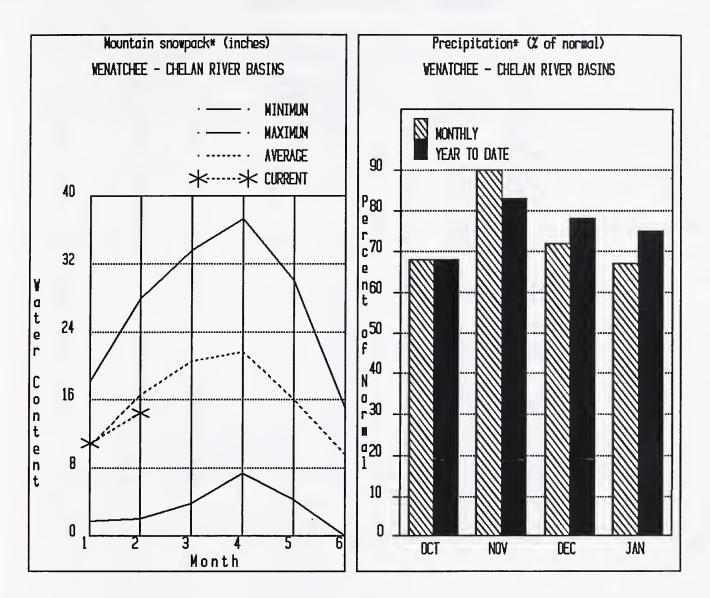
|                          |      | Year | Year | AVG |                |    | Last Yr | •  |
|--------------------------|------|------|------|-----|----------------|----|---------|----|
| CONCONULLY LAKE (SALMON) | 10.5 | 7.3  | 8.2  | 7.5 | Okanogan River | 23 | 111     | 98 |
| CONCONULLY RESERVOIR     | 13.0 | 5.4  | 7.4  | 6.3 | Methow River   | 4  | 86      | 91 |

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#### Wenatchee - Chelan River Basins



\*Based on selected stations

Runoff for the Entiat River is forecast to be 88% of normal for the summer. The summer forecast for the Chelan River is for 83%, for the Wenatchee River it is 85%, and 88% on the Squilchuck-Stemilt. February 1 snowpack in the Wenatchee Basin is 89% of average down from 104% and the Chelan Basin is 79%. Snowpack along Colockum Ridge continues to be near normal for the first time in five years, with Stemilt Creek at 107%. Snowpack on the Entiat River is at 85% of average. Reservoir storage in Lake Chelan is 234,600 acre feet or 52% of February 1 average and 35% of capacity. Stevens Pass SNOTEL had the most snow water with 28.2 inches of water, this site would normally have 27.3 inches. Streamflow for January on the Chelan River was 51% of average and on the Wenatchee River it was 80% of normal. Precipitation during January was 67% of normal in the basin and 75% for the year to date.

#### WENATCHEE - CHELAN RIVER BASINS

Streamflow Forecasts - February 1, 1993

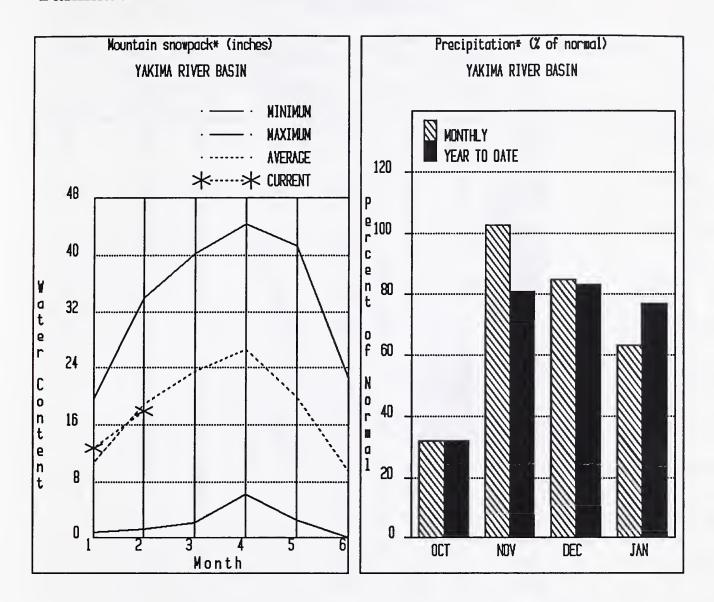
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|------------------------------------|----------|------------|--------------|--------|----------|----------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| Forecast Point                     | Forecast |            |              | Cha    | nce Of 1 | Exceeding * == |              |             |              |
|                                    | Period   | 90%        | 70%          |        |          | Probable)      | 30%          | 10%         | 30-Yr Avg.   |
|                                    |          |            | (1000AF)     | •      |          | (% AVG.)       |              | (1000AF)    | (1000AF)     |
| CHELAN RIVER at Chelan (1)         | APR-SEP  | 675        | 845          | - <br> | 965      | 83             | 1080         | 1260        | 1160         |
|                                    | APR-JUL  | 515        | 745          | i      | 850      | 83             | 955          | 1180        | 1024         |
|                                    | APR-JUN  | 420        | 600          | į      | 680      | 83             | 760          | 940         | 812          |
| TEHEKIN R. at Stehekin             | APR-SEP  | 545        | 640          | ł      | 710      | 85             | 780          | 880         | 827          |
|                                    | APR-JUL  | 460        | 545          | i      | 600      | 85             | 655          | 740         | 701          |
|                                    | APR-JUN  | 365        | 425          | į      | 470      | 87             | 515          | 575         | 538          |
| NTIAT RIVER nr Ardenvoir           | APR-SEP  | 132        | 167          |        | 190      | 83             | 215          | 250         | 227          |
|                                    | APR-JUL  | 120        | 153          | i      | 175      | 84             | 197          | 230         | 206          |
|                                    | APR-JUN  | 103        | 128          |        | 145      | 85             | 162          | 187         | 169          |
| WENATCHEE R. at Peshastin          | APR-SEP  | 785        | 1120         | 1      | 1350     | 82             | 1580         | 1920        | 1636         |
|                                    | APR-JUL  | 720        | 1020         | İ      | 1230     | 82             | 1440         | 1740        | 1485         |
|                                    | APR-JUN  | 590        | 835          | 1      | 1000     | 83             | 1170         | 1410        | 1204         |
| TEMILT nr Wenatchee (miners in)    | MAY-SEP  | 75         | 102          |        | 121      | 87             | 140          | 168         | 138          |
| CICLE CREEK nr Leavenworth         | APR-SEP  | 250        | 280          | 1      | 330      | 89             | 380          | 455         | 370          |
|                                    | APR-JUL  | 185        | 255          | 1      | 300      | 88             | 345          | 415         | 340          |
|                                    | APR-JUN  | 149        | 205          | 1      | 240      | 88             | 275          | 330         | 270          |
| COLUMBIA R. bl Rock Island Dam (2) |          | 46100      | 54200        | į      | 59700    | 84             | 65200        | 73300       | 70410        |
|                                    | APR-JUL  | 39200      | 46000        | !      | 50700    | 84             | 55400        | 62200       | 59690        |
|                                    | APR-JUN  | 30900      | 36300        | }      | 39900    | 84             | 43500        | 48900       | 46980        |
| WENATCHEE - CHELAN R               |          |            |              | ·      |          |                | - CHELAN RIV |             |              |
| Reservoir Storage (1000            |          | of January |              | i      |          | Watershed Sno  | wpack Analys | is - Februa | ary 1, 1993  |
|                                    | Usable   |            | le Storage 1 |        |          |                | Numbe        |             | Year as % of |
| Reservoir                          | Capacity | This       | Last         | - 1    | Water    | rshed          | of           |             |              |
|                                    |          | Year       | Year 1       | Avg    |          |                |              |             | Yr Average   |
| HELAN LAKE                         | 676.1    |            |              | 50.6   |          | n Lake Basin   | 3            | 59          | 79           |
|                                    |          |            |              |        | Entia    | at River       | 2            | 103         | 85           |
|                                    |          |            |              |        | Wenat    | tchee River    | 11           | 100         | 89           |
|                                    |          |            |              |        | Squi]    | lchuck Creek   | 0            | 0           | 0            |
|                                    |          |            |              | ļ      | Stemi    | ilt Creek      | 2            | 136         | 107          |
|                                    |          |            |              |        | Colo     | kum Creek      | 1            | 148         | 125          |

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#### Yakima River Basin



\*Based on selected stations

February 1 summer streamflow forecasts for the Yakima Basin vary throughout the basin as follows: The Yakima River at Cle Elum, 86%; Naches River, 85%; the Yakima River at Parker, 81%, Ahtanum Creek, 82%, and the Tieton River 84%. January streamflows were very low, with the Yakima River at Parker 40% of normal, 60% for the Yakima near Cle Elum, and 35% for the Naches River. February 1 snowpack is 95% based upon 18 snow courses and SNOTEL readings. January precipitation was 63% of normal and 77% for the water year to date. February 1 reservoir storage for the five major reservoirs at 232,800 acre feet, was 36% of average. Temperatures were six degrees below average for January. Volume forecasts for the Yakima Basin are for natural flow. As such, they may differ from the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation's forecast for the total water supply available which includes irrigation return flow.

#### YAKIMA RIVER BASIN

#### Streamflow Forecasts - February 1, 1993

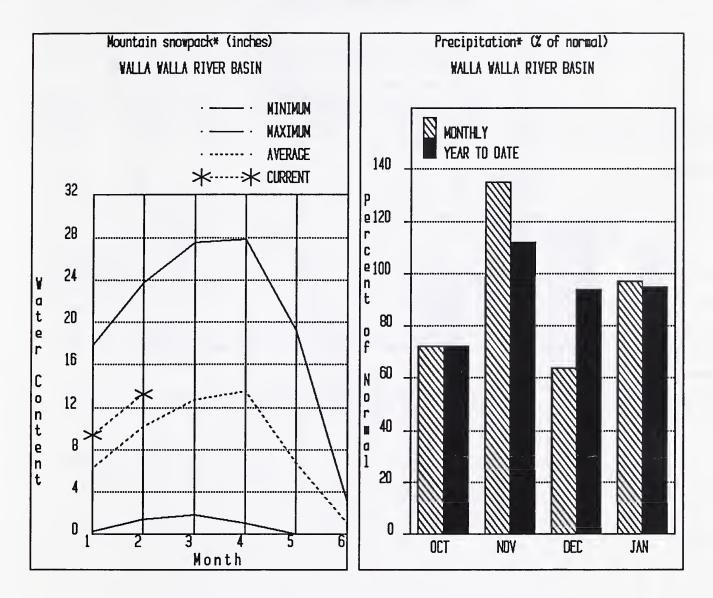
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|------------------------------|----------|------------|------------|---------|-----------|---------------|-------------|------------|--------------|
| Forecast Point               | Forecast |            |            | ==== Ch | ance Of E | xceeding * == |             |            |              |
|                              | Period   | 90%        | 70%        | •       |           | Probable)     | 30 %        | 10%        | 30-Yr Avg.   |
|                              |          | (1000AF)   | •          | •       |           | (% AVG.)      | (1000AF)    | (1000AF)   | (1000AF)     |
| LAKE KEECHELUS INFLOW        | APR-JUL  | 84         | 98         | i       | 108       | 87            | 118         | 132        | 124          |
|                              | APR-SEP  | 91         | 106        | 1       | 117       | 86            | 128         | 143        | 135          |
|                              | APR-JUN  | 77         | 88         | -       | 96        | 88            | 104         | 115        | 109          |
| KACHESS LAKE INFLOW          | APR-JUL  | 74         | 86         | i       | 94        | 84            | 102         | 114        | 111          |
|                              | APR-SEP  | 80         | 91         | - 1     | 100       | 84            | 109         | 120        | 118          |
|                              | APR-JUN  | 70         | 80         |         | 86        | 86            | 92          | 102        | 99           |
| CLE ELUM LAKE INFLOW         | APR-JUL  | 305        | 340        | j       | 365       | 89            | 390         | 425        | 409          |
|                              | APR-SEP  | 320        | 360        | !       | 390       | 87            | 420         | 460        | 448          |
|                              | APR-JUN  | 265        | 290        |         | 310       | 89            | 330         | 355        | 345          |
| YAKIMA RIVER at Cle Elum     | APR-JUN  | 515        | 580        | j       | 620       | 85            | 660         | 725        | 721          |
|                              | APR-JUL  | 590        | 665        | !       | 715       | 85            | 765         | 840        | 832          |
|                              | APR-SEP  | 650        | 730        | -       | 785       | 85            | 840         | 920        | 915          |
| BUMPING LAKE INFLOW          | APR-SEP  | 79         | 105        | j       | 115       | 84            | 126         | 154        | 136          |
|                              | APR-JUL  | 82         | 96         | !       | 105       | 84            | 114         | 128        | 124          |
|                              | APR-JUN  | 66         | 79         | -       | 88        | 84            | 97          | 110        | 104          |
| AMERICAN RIVER nr Nile       | APR-SEP  | 84         | 95         | i       | 103       | 87            | 111         | 123        | 118          |
|                              | APR-JUL  | 79         | 89         | !       | 96        | 88            | 103         | 113        | 109          |
|                              | APR-JUN  | 67         | 76         | -       | 82        | 89            | 88          | 97         | 92           |
| RIMROCK LAKE INFLOW          | APR-SEP  | 137        | 184        | į       | 200       | 84            | 215         | 265        | 237          |
|                              | APR-JUL  | 142        | 159        | ļ       | 170       | 85            | 181         | 198        | 200          |
|                              | APR-JUN  | 117        | 131        |         | 140       | 86            | 149         | 163        | 162          |
| NACHES RIVER nr Naches (2)   | APR-SEP  | 475        | 660        | į       | 710       | 85            | 760         | 950        | 832          |
|                              | APR-JUL  | 540        | 605        | - !     | 650       | 86            | 695         | 760        | 755          |
|                              | APR-JUN  | 465        | 520        |         | 560       | 86  <br>      | 600         | 655        | 651          |
| AHTANUM CREEK nr Tampico (2) | APR-SEP  | 19.0       | 31         | į       | 38        | 82            | 46          | 57         | 46           |
|                              | APR-JUL  | 18.0       | 28         | !       | 35        | 83            | 42          | 52         | 42           |
|                              | APR-JUN  | 15.0       | 24         | -       | 30        | 83            | 36          | 45         | 36           |
| YAKIMA near Parker           | APR-SEP  | 1200       | 1490       | j       | 1620      | 81            | 1750        | 1990       | 1994         |
|                              | APR-JUL  | 1190       | 1360       | !       | 1480      | 81            | 1600        | 1770       | 1805         |
|                              | APR-JUN  | 1080       | 1220       |         | 1320      | 82  <br>      | 1420        | 1560       | 1597         |
| YAKIMA RIVER BASI            |          |            |            |         |           | YAKIMA RIV    | FD BACTN    |            |              |
| Reservoir Storage (1         |          | of January | 7          |         | i ·       | Watershed Sno |             | s - Februa | ry 1, 1993   |
|                              | Usable   | *** Usab   | le Storage | e ***   | <br>      |               | Number      | This       | Year as % of |
| Reservoir                    | Capacity | This       | Last       |         | Water     | shed          | of          |            |              |
|                              | i        | Year       | Year       | Avg     | İ         |               | Data Sit    | es Last    | r Average    |
| Keechelus                    | 157.8    | 45.5       | 97.2       | 96.0    | l         | a River       | 18          | 122        | 95           |
| KACHESS                      | 239.0    | 58.0       | 148.3      | 170.0   | Ahtan     | um Creek      | 2           | 173        | 125          |
| CLE ELUM                     | 436.9    | 72.5       | 256.4      | 251.0   | <br>      |               |             |            |              |
| BUMPING LAKE                 | 33.7     | 4.7        | 11.0       | 9.0     |           |               |             |            |              |
| RIMROCK                      | 198.0    | 52.1       | 77.7       | 115.0   | l<br>     |               |             |            |              |
|                              |          |            |            |         | i         |               |             |            |              |

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#### Walla Walla River Basin



\*Based on selected stations

The forecast is for 103% of average streamflow in the Walla Walla River for the coming summer, the Grande Ronde, 103%; Snake River, 81%, and 93% for Mill Creek. January streamflow was 21% of normal on the Walla Walla River, 51% for the Snake River, and 39% on the Grande Ronde River near Troy. February 1 snowpack is at 130% of normal. The Touchet SNOTEL site has 24.4 inches of water, the normal February 1 reading for this site is 20.8 inches. January precipitation was 97% of average, bringing the year-to-date precipitation to 95% of normal. Temperatures were eight degrees below average for January.

WALLA WALLA RIVER BASIN

#### Streamflow Forecasts - February 1, 1993

| Forecast Point                   | Forecast                      | İ                 | Drier                | Future Co<br>Chance Of E |                         | Wetter               | ====>>            |                         |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
|                                  | Period                        | 90%<br>(1000AF)   | 70%<br>(1000AF)      | 50% (Most                | Probable)  <br>(% AVG.) |                      | 10%  <br>(1000AF) | 30-Yr Avg.<br>(1000AF)  |
| SNAKE bl Lower Granite Dam (1,2) | APR-JUL<br>APR-SEP            | 8290<br>9330      | 14700<br>16500       | 17600<br>  19800         | 81  <br>81              | 20500<br>23100       | 26900<br>30300    | 21650<br>2 <b>4</b> 360 |
| MILL CREEK at Walla Walla        | APR-SEP<br>APR-JUL<br>APR-JUN | 7.6<br>7.6<br>7.6 | 12.4<br>12.4<br>12.4 | 15.7<br>  15.7<br>  15.6 | 91  <br>92  <br>93      | 19.0<br>19.0<br>18.8 | 24<br>24<br>24    | 17.1<br>16.9<br>16.7    |
| WALLA WALLA RIVER                | BASIN                         |                   |                      | 1                        | WALLA WAL               | LA RIVER BASI        | N                 |                         |

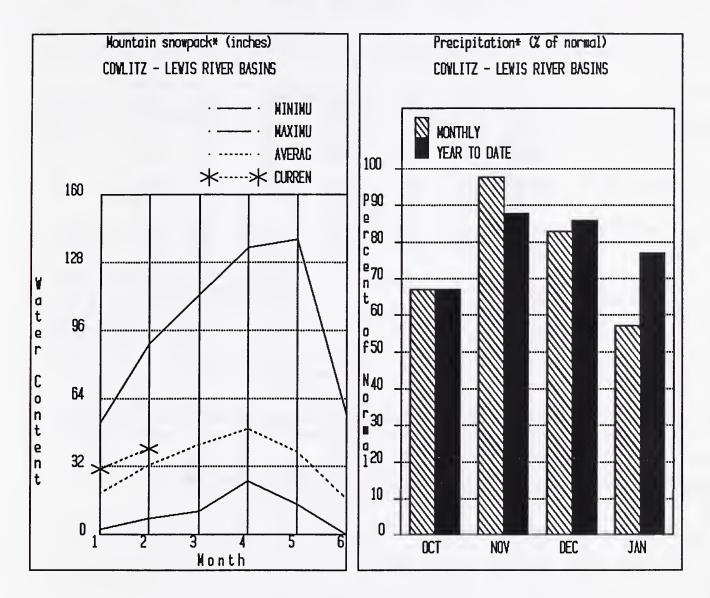
|   | WALLA WALLA RIVER B<br>Reservoir Storage (100 |                      | of January | 7                         |       | WALLA WALLA R<br>Watershed Snowpa |                            | February : | 1, 1993              |
|---|---|----------------------|------------|---------------------------|-------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|------------|----------------------|
| Reservoir                               |   | Usable  <br>Capacity |            | Le Storag<br>Last<br>Year | e *** | Watershed                         | Number<br>of<br>Data Sites | This Year  | r as % of<br>Average |
| *************************************** |   |                      |            |                           |       | Mill Creek                        | 2                          | 135        | 130                  |

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#### **Cowlitz - Lewis River Basins**



\*Based on selected stations

The forecast for summer runoff in the Lewis River and the Cowlitz River, is 91% of normal. January streamflow on the Cowlitz River was 41% of average, and 51% on the Lewis River. January precipitation was 57% of normal, bringing the water year-to-date precipitation to 77% of average. February 1 snow cover for the Cowlitz River is 120%, and for the Lewis River it is 130%. The Paradise Park SNOTEL contained the maximum water content for the basin with 41.7 inches of water. Normal February 1 water content is 36.5 inches. Temperatures were three degrees below normal for January.

#### COWLITZ - LEWIS RIVER BASINS

#### Streamflow Forecasts - February 1, 1993

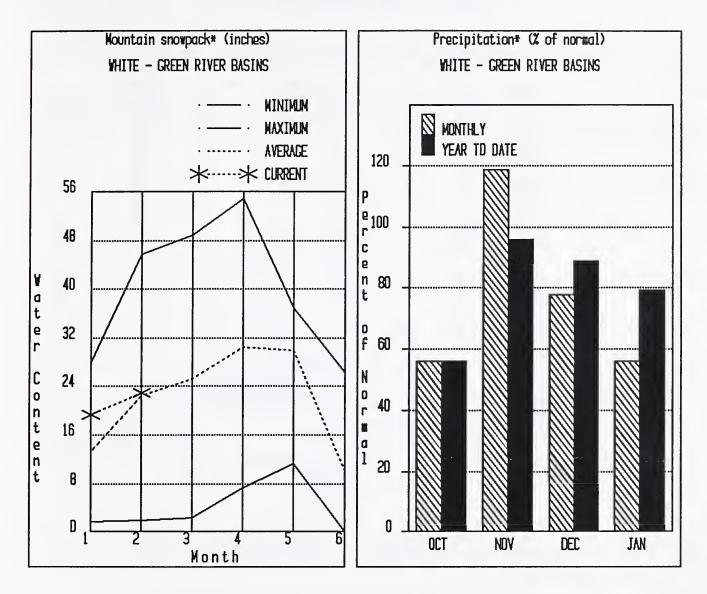
|                                |                    | <<=====        | Drier       | Future Co     | onditions     | Wetter        | >>          |              |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|
| Forecast Point                 | Forecast<br>Period | <br> <br>  90% | 70%         | - Chance Of E | Exceeding * = | 30%           | 10%         | 30-Yr Avg.   |
|                                | 101104             | (1000AF)       | (1000AF)    |               | (% AVG.)      | (1000AF)      |             | (1000AF)     |
| LEWIS RIVER at Ariel (2)       | APR-SEP            | 385            | 915         | 1100          | 91            | 1290          | 1820        | 1204         |
|                                | APR-JUL            | 555            | 795         | 955           | 90            | 1120          | 1350        | 1051         |
|                                | APR-JUN            | 500            | 705         | 850           | 91            | 995           | 1200        | 933          |
| COWLITZ R. bl Mayfield Dam (2) | APR-SEP            | 710            | 1470        | 1800          | 91            | 2140          | 2900        | 1970         |
|                                | APR-JUL            | 855            | 1290        | 1580          | 91            | 1870          | 2310        | 1731         |
|                                | APR-JUN            | 730            | 1100        | 1350          | 91            | 1600          | 1970        | 1477         |
| OWLITZ R. at Castle Rock (2)   | APR-SEP            | 960            | 2140        | 2500          | 93            | 2860          | 4030        | 2667         |
|                                | APR-JUL            | 1410           | 1870        | 2180          | 93            | 2490          | 2950        | 2325         |
|                                | APR-JUN            | 1220           | 1610        | 1880<br>      | 94            | 2150          | 2540        | 1995         |
| COWLITZ - LEWIS RI             | VER BASINS         |                |             |               | COWLITZ -     | LEWIS RIVER   | BASINS      |              |
| Reservoir Storage (10          | 00 AF) - End       | of January     |             | İ             | Watershed Sno | owpack Analys | is - Februa | ry 1, 1993   |
|                                | Usable             | *** Usabl      | e Storage * | **            |               | Numbe         | r This      | Year as % of |
| Reservoir                      | Capacity           | This           | Last        | Water         | shed          | of            |             |              |
|                                |                    | Year           | Year A      | vg            |               | Data Si       | tes Last    | Yr Average   |
|                                |                    |                |             | Cowli         | tz River      | 6             | 132         | 120          |
|                                |                    |                |             |               | River         | 4             | 248         | 130          |

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#### White - Green River Basins



\*Based on selected stations

Summer runoff is forecasted to be 88% on the Green River and 87% on the Cedar River. New forecast points include the Rex River at 87%, the South Fork of the Tolt River at 88% and the Cedar River at Cedar, 88%. February 1 snowpack was 101% of normal in the White River Basin and 103% in the Green River Basin. Water content on February 1 at the Stampede Pass SNOTEL, at an elevation of 3860 feet, was 28.4 inches. This site has a February 1 average of 28.8 inches. January precipitation was 56% of normal, bringing the water year to date to 79% of average. Temperatures were two degrees below average for January.

#### WHITE - GREEN RIVER BASINS

#### Streamflow Forecasts - February 1, 1993

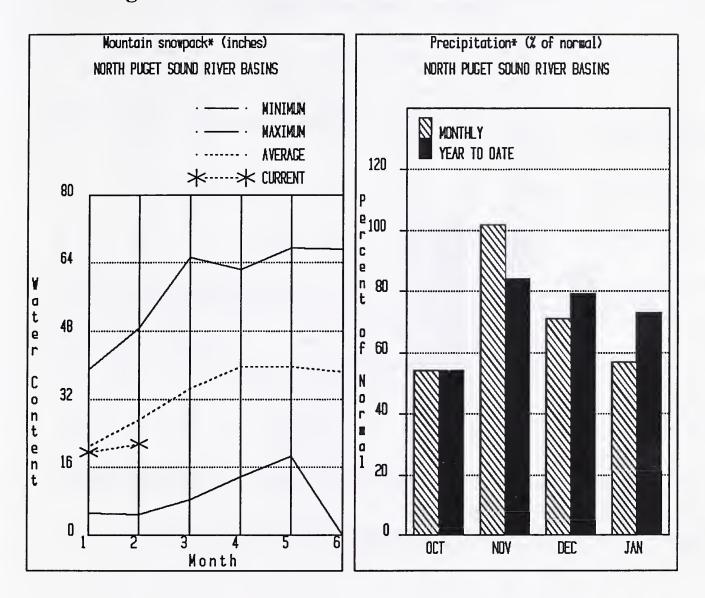
|  |          | <<              | Drier           | - Future C  | onditions - | Wette                            | >>   |              |
|--|----------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------|----------------------------------|------|--------------|
| Forecast Point                                 | Forecast | <br>  <b></b> - |                 | - Chance Of | Exceeding * |                                  |      |              |
| 10100000 10200                                 | Period   | 90%             | 70%             |             | Probable)   |                                  | 10%  | 30-Yr Avg.   |
|  |          | (1000AF)        | (1000AF)        | •           | (% AVG.)    | (1000AF)                         |      | (1000AF)     |
| GREEN RIVER below Howard Hanson Dam            | ADD_TUT. | 173             | 205             | 230         | 89          | 255                              | 285  | 257          |
| GREEN RIVER Delow noward hanson bank           | APR-SEP  | 191             | 225             | l 250       | 87          | 275                              | 310  | 285          |
|  | APR-JUN  | 161             | 190             | 210         | 89          | 230                              | 260  | 234          |
|  |          |                 |                 | i           |             |                                  | 200  | 234          |
| CEDAR RIVER near Cedar Falls                   | APR-JUL  | 52              | 61              | 67          | 87          | 73                               | 82   | 77           |
|  | APR-SEP  | 59              | 67              | 73          | 85          | 79                               | 87   | 85           |
|  | APR-JUN  | 47              | 54              | 59          | 86          | 64                               | 71   | 68           |
| REX RIVER nr Cedar Falls                       | APR-JUL  | 18.0            | 22              | l<br>I 24   | 88          | l<br>l 26                        | 6.0  | 27           |
|  | APR-SEP  | 21              | 24              | 26          | 86          | 28                               | 32   | 30           |
|  | APR-JUN  | 18.0            | 20              | 22          | 88          | 24                               | 27   | 25           |
| CEDAR RIVER at Cedar Falls                     | APR-JUL  | 42              | 59              | <br>  71    | 86          | 83                               | 100  | 82           |
|  | APR-SEP  | 44              | 61              | 72          | 86          | 83                               | 100  | 83           |
|  | APR-JUN  | 44              | 60              | 70          | 87          | 80                               | 96   | 80           |
| SOUTH FORK TOLT RIVER near Index               | APR-JUL  | 10.2            | 12.1            | 13.4        | 88          | 14.7                             | 16.6 | 15.2         |
|  | APR-SEP  | 12.2            | 14.3            | 15.7        | 88          | 17.1                             | 19.2 | 17.8         |
|  | APR-JUN  | 8.7             | 10.5            | 11.7        | 89          | 12.9                             | 14.7 | 13.1         |
|  |          |                 |                 |             |             |                                  |      |              |
| WHITE - GREEN RIVER<br>Reservoir Storage (1000 |          | of Tannami      |                 |             |             | GREEN RIVER BE<br>nowpack Analys |      | 1 1002       |
| , ·  | •        | -               |                 |             |             | nowpack Analys                   |      |              |
|  | Usable   |                 | e Storage *     |             | _, ,        | Numbe                            |      | Year as % of |
| Reservoir                                      | Capacity | This<br>Year    | Last<br>Year Av | Wate:<br>7q | rshed       | of<br>Data S:                    |      | Yr Average   |
|  |          |                 |                 |             |             |                                  |      |              |
|  |          |                 |                 | White       | e River     | 2                                | 82   | 101          |
|  |          |                 |                 | Green       | n River     | 7                                | 179  | 103          |
|  |          |                 |                 | Ceda        | r River     | 0                                | 0    | 0            |

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## **North Puget Sound River Basins**



\*Based on selected stations

January streamflow in the Skagit River was 49% of average. Forecast for the Skagit River streamflow is 84% of normal for the spring and summer period. New forecast points include the Baker River at 86% and Thunder Creek at 85%. Precipitation for January was 57% of average with a water year to date at 73% of normal. February 1 snow cover in the Skagit River was 81% of normal, and on the Baker River it was 86%. Rainy Pass SNOTEL at elevation 4780 feet, had 20.9 inches of water content; normal February 1 water content is 24.5 inches. February 1 reservoir storage was below average, with Ross Lake reservoir at 72% of normal and 54% of capacity. January temperatures were two degrees below normal.

#### NORTH PUGET SOUND RIVER BASINS

#### Streamflow Forecasts - February 1, 1993

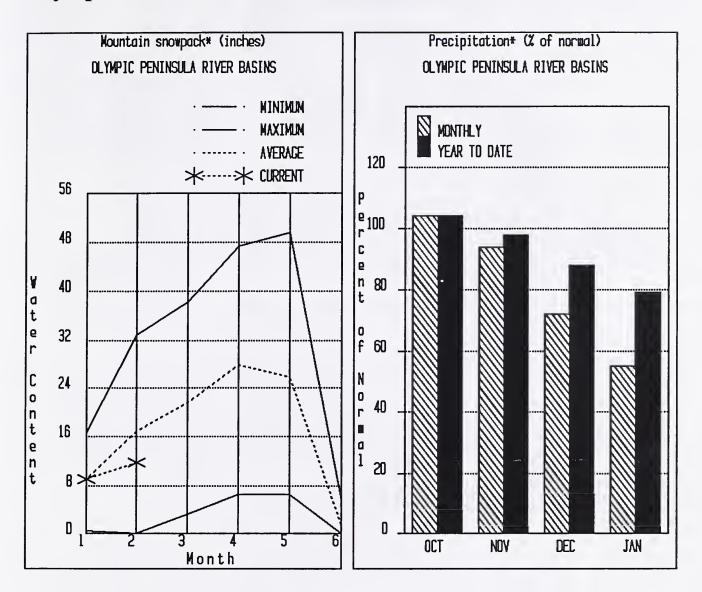
|   |                      | <<====            | - Drier          |         | Future Co  | onditions                   | Wetter          | >>                |                      |
|---|----------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------|------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| Forecast Point                            | Forecast             |                   |                  | Ct      | nance Of I | Exceeding * ==              |                 |                   |                      |
|   | Period               | 90%<br>  (1000AF) | 709              |         | •          | Probable) (% AVG.)          | 30%<br>(1000AF) | 10%  <br>(1000AF) | 30-Yr Avg<br>(1000AF |
| THUNDER CREEK near Newhalem               | APR-JUL              | 168               | 185              | 5       | 196        | 85                          | 205             | 225               | 230                  |
|   | APR-SEP              | 250               | 270              | ) [     | 280        | 85                          | 290             | 310               | 328                  |
|   | APR-JUN              | 99                | 116              | 5       | 127        | 85                          | 138             | 155               | 149                  |
| SKAGIT RIVER at Newhalem (2)              | APR-SEP              | 1350              | 1640             |         | 1840       | 84                          | 2040            | 2330              | 2185                 |
| ` '                                       | APR-JUL              | 1130              | 1370             | i       | 1540       | 84                          | 1710            | 1950              | 1830                 |
|   | APR-JUN              | 875               | 1060             | j       | 1190       | 84                          | 1320            | 1500              | 1410                 |
| BAKER RIVER near Concrete                 | APR-JUL              | 595               | 670              | <br>    | 720        | 86 I                        | 770             | 845               | 836                  |
|   | APR-SEP              | 755               | 850              |         | 910        | 85                          | 970             | 1060              | 1064                 |
|   | APR-JUN              | 420               | 480              |         | 525        | 85                          | 570             | 630               | 611                  |
| NORTH PUGET SOUNI<br>Reservoir Storage () |                      | of Januar         | ·                |         |            | NORTH PUGE<br>Watershed Sno | T SOUND RIVE    |                   | v 1. 1993            |
|   |                      |                   |                  |         |            |                             |                 |                   |                      |
| Reservoir                                 | Usable  <br>Capacity | *** Usab<br>This  | le Stora<br>Last | age *** | Water      | shed                        | Number<br>of    |                   | ear as % o           |
|   | ī                    | Year              | Year             | Avg     | i <u>.</u> |                             | Data Sit        | es Last Yr        | Average              |
| Ross                                      | 1404.1               | 744.4             | 1017.0           | 1033.9  | Snoqu      | almie River                 | 4               | 248               | 101                  |
| DIABLO RESERVOIR                          | 90.6                 | 86.8              | 87.8             | 84.2    | Skyko      | omish River                 | 3               | 102               | 96                   |
| GORGE RESERVOIR                           | 9.8                  | 8.0               | 7.8              | 7.9     | Skagi      | t River                     | 11              | 79                | 81                   |
|   |                      |                   |                  |         | Bakor      | River                       | 8               | 130               | 85                   |

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# Olympic Peninsula River Basin's



\*Based on selected stations

February forecasts of runoff for streamflow in the basin are for 86% of average on the Dungeness River and the Elwha River, 89%. The Big Quilcene can expect below normal runoff this summer. January precipitation was 55% of average, with water year-to-date precipitation accumulation at 79% of normal. January precipitation at Quillayute was 7.88 inches. February 1 snow cover in the Olympic Basin is below normal, with the Elwah at 66% of average and the Dungeness at 67%. The Mount Crag SNOTEL near Quilcene had 18.4 inches on February 1, last year it had 11.3 inches. Temperatures were three degrees below normal for January.

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#### OLYMPIC PENINSULA RIVER BASINS

#### Streamflow Forecasts - February 1, 1993

| ======================================= |          |                        |          |             |                                |          |          |              |  |
|---|----------|------------------------|----------|-------------|--------------------------------|----------|----------|--------------|--|
|   |          | <<                     | Drier    | Future C    | onditions                      | Wetter   | >>       |              |  |
| Forecast Point                          | Forecast |                        |          | - Chance Of | Exceeding *                    |          |          |              |  |
|   | Period   | 90%                    | 70%      |             | Probable)                      | 30%      | 10%      | 30-Yr Avg.   |  |
|   |          | (1000AF)               | (1000AF) | (1000AF)    | (% AVG.)                       | (1000AF) | (1000AF) | (1000AF)     |  |
| DUNGENESS RIVER nr Sequim               | APR-SEP  | 107                    | 126      | 139         | 86                             | 152      | 171      | 160          |  |
|   | APR-JUL  | 88                     | 104      | 114         | 87                             | 124      | 140      | 131          |  |
|   | APR-JUN  | 66                     | 77       | 85          | 86                             | 93       | 104      | 98           |  |
| ELWHA RIVER nr Port Angeles             | APR-SEP  | 330                    | 395      | 1 440       | 87 I                           | 485      | 550      | 502          |  |
|   | APR-JUL  | 280                    | 335      | 370         | 88                             | 405      | 460      | 417          |  |
|   |          |                        |          | İ           | Ĺ                              |          |          |              |  |
| OLYMPIC PENINSULA RIVER BASINS          |          |                        |          |             | OLYMPIC PENINSULA RIVER BASINS |          |          |              |  |
| Reservoir Storage (                     |          | of January             | •        | i           | Watershed Sno                  |          |          | су 1, 1993   |  |
|   | Usable   | *** Usable Storage *** |          | **          |                                |          | r This   | Year as % of |  |
| Reservoir                               | Capacity | This                   | Last     | Watershed   |                                | of       | •        |              |  |
|   | 1        | Year                   | Year A   | vg          |                                |          | tes Last | Yr Average   |  |
|   |          |                        |          | Elwh        | Elwha River                    |          | 180      | 66           |  |
|   |          |                        |          | Mors        | e Creek                        | 1        | 96       | 75           |  |
|   |          |                        |          | l<br>Dung   | eness River                    | 1        | 100      | 67           |  |
|   |          |                        |          | <br>  Quil  | cene River                     | 0        | 0        | 0            |  |
|   |          |                        |          | Wyno        | ochee River                    | 0        | 0        | 0            |  |
|   |          |                        |          | I           |                                |          |          |              |  |

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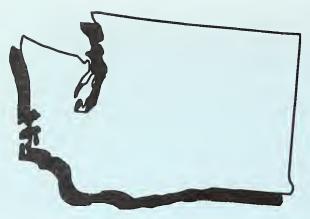
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